# Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

Petition for Waiver of Form 471 Filing :

Deadline and 28 Day Competitive Bidding : Requirement on behalf of Harding County :

School District, Buffalo, South Dakota

CC Docket No. 02-6

Schools and Libraries Universal

Service Support Mechanism :

#### **REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FORM 471 FILING DEADLINE**

The Harding County School District ("District"), Billed Entity Number 134291, filed Form 471 Number 171049130 on May 25, 2017, which was within fourteen (14) days of the May 11, 2017 Form 471 deadline. The District did not file their Form 470 application (Number 170083138) until May 1, 2017, however, which means that there was a modest reduction of the bidding period in order to submit their Form 471 application within two weeks of the Form 471 deadline. The District, therefore, petitions for waiver of the 28-day Form 470 bidding period requirement as well as the Form 471 filing deadline, due to extenuating and special circumstances that make clear that the waiver would be in the public interest.

The District has participated in E-rate sporadically and infrequently. They have applied for E-rate in only two years during the past 20 funding years and only once have they received funding. In 2000, the District unsuccessfully applied for internal connections. Due to the lack of E-rate funding, the District's 81% discount did not allow for their requests to be funded. In 2012, the District successfully applied for telecommunications and Internet access services and received E-rate benefits totaling \$3,889.45. This amount - \$3,889.45 – is the sum total of their E-rate benefits during the program's 20 year history.

The District is very small and covers a large geographic area in a very rural part of South Dakota. In the fall of 2016 District had a total of about 202 students enrolled in three elementary schools, and a middle school and high school. One of the elementary schools shares a campus with the middle school and high school. The District qualifies for a 60% C1 and C2 E-rate discount. Because of the phase-out of voice phone services, the District did not qualify for any voice service discounts in FY 2017. These 202 students are drawn from 2,678 square miles throughout the county.

The District has been uninformed about E-rate for many years and did not have the resources to try to apply for E-rate. Despite its efforts to try to understand the program's requirements, it did not have in-house expertise and could not afford to pay a consultant for assistance. Recently, the business manager learned "through the grapevine" in discussions with other districts' business managers that the E-rate program had been revised and that the

district may be able to obtain funding for some of their needed wireless equipment updates. Unfortunately, the District was unfamiliar with the E-rate calendar and the deadlines for posting a Form 470 and Form 471. In late April upon contacting the State E-rate Coordinator, the District learned about these deadlines and immediately took steps to file the required applications.

Ordinarily, the District would postpone its purchase of equipment and apply for funding in FY 2018 and meet all required deadline. However, the District desperately needs the wireless network equipment during the upcoming school year and cannot wait until the spring of 2018 to make this purchase.<sup>1</sup> Consequently, the District decided to post a Form 470 application as soon as they understood this requirement, which was on May 1, 2017, and to try to apply for funding in the 2017-2018 year.

The District then faced the dilemma of being unable to file the Form 471 application until more than 14 days after the original Form 471 deadline. Based on past FCC cases, the District thought it would be highly unlikely that they would be able to successfully convince the FCC to waive the filing deadline for a Form 471 that was submitted more than two weeks past the original Form 471 deadline. The District opted instead to submit the Form 470 application and to notify as many vendors as possible about the bidding opportunity and to request proposals as soon as possible. As the supporting documents in Exhibit A show, the District took the following steps to ensure that they conducted a fair and open competitive bidding process.

- The instructions on the Form 470 170083138 filed on May 1, 2017 stated the following: "We are aware that this Form 470 is being posted late and intend to seek a waiver of the deadlines with the FCC. Please submit a proposal by email to Eizabeth.henderson@state.sd.us at your earliest opportunity."
- In conjunction with the assistance of the State E-rate Coordinator, the District identified each vendor that was associated with a C2 funding request for any applicant in South Dakota in FY 2016. See Exhibit B. There were 23 total internal connections vendors, of which nine vendors only had one FRN. Given the urgency of the situation, the District focused on contacting vendors with multiple FRNs to enhance the likelihood that the vendor would provide a price quote in response to the Form 470. Using the SPIN search tool, the phone number for each of the 14 vendors with more than one FRN was found. Each of the 14 vendors was called and an email address was requested so that the Form 470 application and request for price quote could be sent to the vendor. In all, eight vendors were emailed a copy of the Form 470 application along with this cover email:

"Dear Vendor:

Attached please find our District's E-rate Form 470 posting for 23 wireless access points, related licenses, controller and maintenance/support as well as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The District now understands that if they apply for E-rate funding for the 2018-2019 year, then per the current program guidelines, they could purchase and install the equipment on or after April 1, 2018.

installation. We know this is posted late. However, in past years, the FCC has allowed applicants to seek a waiver of the Form 471 filing deadline provided that they submit their application no more than 14 days after the 471 deadline. This year's Form 471 deadline is May 11, so the 2 week grace period would end on May 25. We therefore are asking for your assistance and cooperation in submitting a proposal by May 24<sup>th</sup> so that we have time to review your bid, discuss any questions and submit our Form 471 by the May 25<sup>th</sup> informal two week grace period deadline. We know that technically the 28 day waiting period ends on May 29 so we are asking for your cooperation. Our district desperately needs the new equipment so your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me if you have any technical questions and I will put you in touch with our technology coordinator."

The procurement was quite basic and was for the replacement of 23 access points and licenses and controller for the combined elementary, middle and high school building. There was no manufacturer's preference.

In response to the Form 470 application and related emails, the District received five proposals. Not one vendor objected to the truncated deadline or requested additional time. None of the vendors that the District contacted expressed any objection to the shortened bidding period or stated that they were unable to submit a proposal by May 24<sup>th</sup>. The fact that multiple proposals were received is a testament to the District's efforts to ensure that vendors were aware of this bidding opportunity and that there truly was a competitive procurement conducted despite the fact that it was shortened by a few days.

The District selected the lowest cost proposal as the most cost effective, and made the final decision on May 25, 2017 which was four days prior to the end of the 28 day bidding period. The District then filed its form 471 application 171049130 and is now filing this waiver request.

#### **Grounds for Waiver**

The waiver of the Form 471 application deadline is based on FCC prior cases, such as *Requests* for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9259, para. 8 (2010) (Academy of Math and Science Order) (finding special circumstances exist to justify granting waiver requests where, for example, petitioners filed their FCC Forms 471 within 14 days after the FCC Form 471 filing window deadline).

The waiver of the Form 470 application 28-day bidding requirement (47 C.F.R. Section 54.504(b) is based also on prior cases where the FCC has waived this requirement where good cause exists. For example, in Aberdeen School District Request for Waiver, FCC 07-63 (May 8, 2007), the FCC waived the 28 day bidding requirement for various applicants. The FCC stated:

We have examined the facts of each of these appeals and found that a waiver is warranted based on the circumstances presented and based on the facts that there is no evidence of waste, fraud or abuse. The goal of the competitive bidding process is to ensure that funding is not wasted because an applicant agrees to pay a higher price than is otherwise commercially available. We find no indication in the record that, as a result of these errors, applicants benefited from their mistakes or that any service provider was harmed. Specifically, there is no evidence in the record that other bids were not considered because these applicants did not fully comply with our competitive bidding rules. We find that the policy underlying these rules, therefore, was not compromised due to Petitioners' errors..... Furthermore, we find that several of these Petitioners, while not waiting the full 28 days before entering into an agreement, only missed the 28-day deadline by a minimal number of days (i.e., one to three days) and therefore their requests for discounted services were subject to competitive bidding for a meaningful period of time. While we emphasize that our competitive bidding rules are important to ensure a fair bidding process, we find that denying these Petitioners requests for funding would create undue hardship and prevent these potentially otherwise eligible schools and libraries from receiving E-rate funding.

Id. at ¶9.

We believe that the District's situation here fits within the narrow exception carved out from the Aberdeen appeal decision. The District fully considered all bids, made sure that a wide group of vendors was aware of the bidding opportunity and were invited to submit proposals, and the contract was signed only four days prior to the end of the bidding period (and three of those four days were on weekends and holidays). As a practical matter, the last day to submit a proposal would have been on May 26<sup>th</sup>, which was just one day prior to the date that the District decided on the vendor and signed a contract.

The 2007 Aberdeen appeal decision has been cited more recently with favor by the FCC. For example, in the March 2016 Streamlined Decisions Public Notice, the FCC approved the appeal of the Platte Valley School District's request for waiver of the 28 day bidding deadline (filed on June 11, 2012) even though that district had signed their contracts prior to the end of the 28 day bidding period. See Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company, DA 16-334 (released March 30, 2016) at page 5, Footnote 16.

We believe that the current request for waiver sets forth extenuating special circumstances that justify the waiver for the following reasons:

The District just became aware of the opportunity to file for E-rate funding on wireless
equipment purchases and immediately took steps to comply with program rules upon
learning of these requirements, by sending emails to numerous potential bidders,
reviewing all bids and selecting the most cost effective (and lowest cost) bid.

- The District notified the vendors of the truncated response due date and explained why
  the date was shortened.
- The District has not engaged in any waste, fraud or abuse regarding its inadvertent noncompliance with program requirements.
- The District desperately needs the equipment and cannot postpone the purchase and apply for funding in FY 2018-19.
- The District's modest request for funding (\$8,924.35) is significant to them and will assist them with their budget and at the same time it will have an inconsequential effect on funding demand.

We hope that the FCC will agree that the District's request for waiver has merit and should be approved, so that the Form 471 application can be moved back to the "in the window" and processed for a funding commitment decisions letter.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Henderson Business Manager

Harding County School District 31-1

P.O. Box 367

Buffalo, SD 57720-0367 Phone: 605-375-3241

Fax: 605-375-3246

Email address: elizabeth.henderson@k12.sd.us

Filed: July 21, 2017

EXHIBIT A - FORM 470 APPLICATION AND EMAIL MESSAGES TO SENT TO VENDORS TO INVITE THEM TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL BY MAY 24, 2017



## FCC Form 470 – Funding Year 2017 Form 470 Application Number: 170083138

Form 470 Application Number: 170083138 Access Point Upgrades

#### **Billed Entity**

HARDING CO SCHOOL DISTRICT 31-1 12474 TIPPERARY STREET, P.O. BOX 367 BUFFALO, HARDING, SD 57720-0367 605-375-3241

**Billed Entity Number:** 134291

FCC Registration Number: 0021500194

**Contact Information** 

Elizabeth Henderson elizabeth.henderson@k12.sd.us

605-375-3241

**Application Type** 

Applicant Type: School District Recipients of Services: Public School **Number of Eligible Entities: 5** 

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Name Consultant Phone Email Registration Number Number
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#### **Consultants**

Name	Phone Number	Email

#### **RFPs**

Id	Name

#### Category One Service Requests

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								Installation	Maintenance	
			Minimum	Maximum				and Initial	and Technical	
Service Type	Function	Other	Capacity	Capacity	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Configuration?	Support?	Associated RFPs

#### **Description of Other Functions**

Id	Name

Narrative			

#### **Category Two Service Requests**

							Installation and Initial	
Service Type	Function	Manufacturer	Other	Entities	Quantity	Unit	Configuration?	Associated RFPs
Internal Connections	WAP	No Preference			23	Each	Yes	
Basic Maintenance of Internal	WAP	No Preference		3	23	Each		
Connections								
Internal Connections	Wireless Controller	No Preference			1	Each	Yes	

Id Name

#### Narrative

Replacement of 23 wireless access points and related licenses and controller (either cloud based or physical equipment) to be installed in one physical building with 23 different classrooms. The building has three different schools under one roof. Please provide quotes for installation service and maintenance and support.

#### **Technical Contact**

#### State and Local Procurement Restrictions

We are aware that this Form 470 is being posted late and intend to seek a waiver of the deadlines with the FCC. Please submit a proposal by email to Elizabeth.henderson@state.sd.us at your earliest opportunity.

#### **Recipients of Service**

Billed Entity Number	Billed Entity Name
134291	HARDING CO SCHOOL DISTRICT 31-1

#### **Certifications**

I certify that the applicant includes:

I certify that the applicant includes schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801 (18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million.

#### Other Certifications

I certify that this FCC Form 470 and any applicable RFP will be available for review by potential bidders for at least 28 days before considering all bids received and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted will be carefully considered and the bid selected will be for the most cost-effective service or equipment offering, with price being the primary factor, and will be the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology goals.

I certify that I have reviewed all applicable FCC, state, and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements and that I have complied with them. I acknowledge that persons willfully making false statements on this form may be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I acknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program.

I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least 10 years (or whatever retention period is required by the rules in effect at the time of this certification) after the later of the last day of the applicable funding year or the service delivery deadline for the associated funding request. I certify that I will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the form for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts. I acknowledge that I may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program. I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. § 254 will be used primarily for educational purposes, see 47 C.F.R. § 54.500, and will not be sold, resold or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value, except as permitted by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.513. Additionally, I certify that the entity or entities listed on this form have not received anything of value or a promise of anything of value, other than services and equipment sought by means of this form, from the service provider, or any representative or agent thereof or any consultant in connection with this request for services.

I acknowledge that support under this support mechanism is conditional upon the school(s) and/or library(ies) I represent securing access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity necessary to use the services purchased effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that I have considered what financial resources should be available to cover these costs. I certify that I am authorized to procure eligible services for the eligible entity(ies). I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the eligible entity(ies) listed on this form, that I have examined this request, and to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained herein are true.

#### NOTICE:

In accordance with Section 54.503 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, certain schools and libraries ordering services that are eligible for and seeking universal service discounts must file this Description of Services Requested and Certification Form (FCC Form 470) with the Universal Service Administrator. 47 C.F.R. § 54.503. The collection of information stems from the Commission's authority under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. 47 U.S.C. § 254. The data in the report will be used to ensure that schools and libraries comply with the competitive bidding requirement contained in 47 C.F.R. § 54.503. Schools and libraries must file this form themselves or as part of a consortium.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The FCC is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the information requested in this form. We will use the information you provide to determine whether you have complied with the competitive bidding requirements applicable to requests for universal service discounts. If we believe there may be a violation or a potential violation of any applicable statute, regulation, rule or order, the information you provide in this form may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order. In certain cases, the information you provide in this form may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or a court or adjudicative body when (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; or (c) the United States Government is a party of a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding. In addition, information provided in or submitted with this form, or in response to subsequent inquiries, may also be subject to disclosure consistent with the Communications Act of 1934, FCC regulations, the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, or other applicable law.

If you owe a past due debt to the federal government, the information you provide in this form may also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other Federal agencies and/or your employer to offset your salary, IRS tax refund or other payments to collect that debt. The FCC may also provide the information to these agencies through the matching of computer records when authorized.

If you do not provide the information we request on the form, the FCC or Universal Service Administrator may return your form without action or deny a related request for universal service discounts.

The foregoing Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

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#### **Authorized Person**

Elizabeth Henderson HARDING CO SCHOOL DISTRICT 31-1 12474 TIPPERARY STREET, P.O. BOX 367 BUFFALO, HARDING, SD 57720-0367 605-375-3241 elizabeth.henderson@k12.sd.us

### **Certified Timestamp**

05/01/2017 01:25 PM MDT

From: Henderson, Elizabeth

To: afton.111congress@regus.com

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

**Subject:** Emailing Erate Form 470

**Date:** Monday, May 01, 2017 4:18:40 PM

Attachments: USAC FCC FORM 470 APPLICATION 170083138 CERTIFIED.pdf

#### Dear Vendor:

Attached please find our District's E-rate Form 470 posting for 23 wireless access points, related licenses, controller and maintenance/support as well as installation. We know this is posted late. However, in past years, the FCC has allowed applicants to seek a waiver of the Form 471 filing deadline provided that they submit their application no more than 14 days after the 471 deadline. This year's Form 471 deadline is May 11, so the 2 week grace period would end on May 25. We therefore are asking for your assistance and cooperation in submitting a proposal by May 24<sup>th</sup> so that we have time to review your bid, discuss any questions and submit our Form 471 by the May 25<sup>th</sup> informal two week grace period deadline. We know that technically the 28 day waiting period ends on May 29 so we are asking for your cooperation. Our district desperately needs the new equipment so your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please contact me if you have any technical questions and I will put you in touch with our technology coordinator.

Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth
To: <a href="mailto:mthompson@1rti.com">mthompson@1rti.com</a>

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

**Subject:** Emailing Erate Form 470

**Date:** Monday, May 01, 2017 4:15:10 PM

Attachments: USAC FCC FORM 470 APPLICATION 170083138 CERTIFIED.pdf

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Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth

To: <a href="mailto:scott@bytespeed.com">scott@bytespeed.com</a>; <a href="mailto:jason@bytespeed.com">jason@bytespeed.com</a>;

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

**Subject:** Emailing Erate Form 470

**Date:** Monday, May 01, 2017 4:37:16 PM

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Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth

To: LHertel@connectingpoint.biz

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

**Subject:** Emailing Erate Form 470

**Date:** Monday, May 01, 2017 4:21:34 PM

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Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth

To: <u>Brad.Melstad@aos5.com</u>

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

Subject: eRate Quote

**Date:** Tuesday, May 02, 2017 8:56:46 AM

Attachments: USAC FCC FORM 470 APPLICATION 170083138 CERTIFIED.pdf

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Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth
To: jfoss@foss-avi.com

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

**Subject:** Form 470 Erate - HCHS

**Date:** Monday, May 01, 2017 4:08:25 PM

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Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth
To: Redmond, Nola

Cc: comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net
Subject: Form 470 Erate Application
Date: Monday, May 01, 2017 4:07:46 PM

Attachments: USAC FCC FORM 470 APPLICATION 170083138 CERTIFIED.pdf

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Thank you,

#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

#### **Debra M Kriete**

From: Henderson, Elizabeth < Elizabeth.Henderson@k12.sd.us>

**Sent:** Friday, July 21, 2017 9:37 AM comcast.net, dmkriete@comcast.net

**Subject:** FW: Emailing Erate Form 470

Attachments: USAC\_FCC\_FORM\_470\_APPLICATION\_170083138\_CERTIFIED.pdf

Replacement email...

Please note: the first email sent did not go through so a second one was sent to a corrected email address and it did go through.

#### Elizabeth

From: Henderson, Elizabeth

**Sent:** Monday, May 01, 2017 2:39 PM **To:** austin.111congress@regus.com **Subject:** Emailing Erate Form 470

#### Dear Vendor:

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#### **Elizabeth Henderson**

Exhil	bit B - List o	of SPINs	with South Dakota Internal Con	nections FRNs from FY	2016
FRN	471#	BEN	Billed Entity Name	Service Provider Name	SPIN
1699120941	161052239	16056130	BRIDGEWATER-EMERY SCHOOL DISTRICT #30-	Aercor Wireless, Inc.	143034134
1699091024	161041748	134234	PIERRE SCHOOL DISTRICT 32-2	Alexander Open Systems, Inc.	143004953
1699091039	161041748	134234	PIERRE SCHOOL DISTRICT 32-2	Alexander Open Systems, Inc.	143004953
1699039687	161020363	134250	BENNETT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 3-1	ApplianSys LLC	143048280
1699049631	161025110	134094	RUTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 39-4	ApplianSys LLC	143048280
1699000809	161000855	134288	BELLE FOURCHE SCHOOL DISTRICT 9-1	ByteSpeed, LLC	143022706
1699041619	161021901	134277	MCLAUGHLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT 15-2	ByteSpeed, LLC	143022706
1699125544	161054302	66385	ST FRANCIS INDIAN SCHOOL	Cablexpress Corporation	143005790
1699125589	161054302	66385	ST FRANCIS INDIAN SCHOOL	Cablexpress Corporation	143005790
1699143474	161061379	134108	SIOUXLAND LIBRARIES	Calhoun Communications, Inc.	143029119
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